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Dear Local Educational Agency Leads and Nonpublic School Administrators,

The New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA) is implementing a recently enacted law, P.L. 2021, c. 384, which offers partial student loan redemption for certain teachers in high-need fields in eligible schools.

To participate in the program an applicant:

- Must be a New Jersey resident and maintain residency in the State during Program participation;
- Must have an outstanding balance on an NJCLASS loan and not be in default on any NJCLASS loans;
- Must be certified by the New Jersey Department of Education to teach in New Jersey;
- Must have been hired on or after January 18, 2022 to teach in a high-need field in an eligible school;
- Must be employed in a high-need field in an eligible school at the time of application;

We ask that you please disseminate this information to teachers in your district so they can learn if they are eligible for loan redemption that could pay off up to \$20,000 of the balances on their NJCLASS loans.

Please visit www.hesaa.org/Pages/LoanRedemptionPrograms.aspx to learn more.

Sincerely,

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New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority